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Executive Assistant to the DDCI

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM: Executive Assistant to the DDCI

SUBJECT: Support for NATO

1. John met on 9 May with General Rogers, who pressed him for release of overhead photography to selected NATO leaders during a crisis situation. General Rogers believes this would assist him in getting these NATO policymakers to mobilize or take defensive action when the Soviets mobilize in their contiguous areas. The DDCI is sympathetic to Rogers' problem, and told him he thought we could arrange letting the General brief from overhead photography or actually pass it to these leaders whenever a crisis develops. He emphasized, however, that this arrangement would exist only for the duration of the particular crisis. He would like you to work out the details of arranging such a system.

2. Admiral Rodocanachi would be General Rogers' point of contact for this support. The DCI is aware of this and concurs. He plans to discuss it further with John when he gets back. You could probably get started in the meantime. I will advise, as John requested, and General Williams of the above.

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cc: Executive Director

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Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

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